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Applicants: **Stephen ARNOLD, et al.**

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Title: **USING A CHANGE IN ONE OR MORE PROPERTIES OF LIGHT IN ONE  
OR MORE MICROSPHERES FOR SENSING CHEMICALS SUCH AS  
EXPLOSIVES AND POISON GASES**

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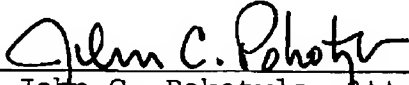
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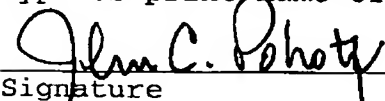
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